

January 26, 2006

Ref: 2976-23833

Honorable James H. Welsh  
Commissioner of Conservation  
Office of Conservation  
P. O. Box 94275  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: 6500' Sand, Reservoir A  
WEST Barataria FIELD  
Jefferson Parish, Louisiana  
Applicant: Castex Energy, Inc.

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

Application is hereby made on behalf of **Castex Energy, Inc.** for the calling of a public hearing, after ten days legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters regarding the 6500' Sand, Reservoir A, SUA, West Barataria Field, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana, for which rules and regulations were established and a drilling and production unit was created by the Office of Conservation Order No. 144-F, effective February 15, 1990.

1. To permit applicant, Castex Energy, Inc. to drill, designate and utilize a substitute unit well for the 6500' RA SUA, such well to be at the location shown on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof;
2. To find that this well is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain a portion of the reservoir covered by the unit which cannot be effectively and efficiently drained by any existing well within such unit;
3. To confirm Castex Energy, Inc. as the operator of the 6500' RA SUA;
4. To find that, except to the extent contrary to the order granted by the Commissioner of Conservation in connection with the hearing held on this application, the provisions of Office of Conservation No. 144-F, shall remain in full force and effect, and

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5. To consider such other matters which may be pertinent to this application as shown by the evidence presented at the hearing held on this matter.

The 6500' Sand, Reservoir A, West Barataria Field, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 144-F, effective February 15, 1990.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the 6500' RA SUA, showing the location of the substitute unit well together with a list of the names and addresses of all interested owners, interested parties and represented parties who are known to the applicant after reasonable search. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all such parties.

A copy of the list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, interested parties and represented parties is not being mailed to those parties along with this hearing application. Should any of these parties desire a copy of this list, however, we will be glad to provide one upon request.

Any pertinent data relating to this matter can be obtained at the cost of the requesting party, from Mr. Bill Robbins of W. H. Robbins & Associates, 302 La Rue France, Suite 100, Lafayette, LA 70508 (337) 232-5004.

Finally, there is enclosed our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$755.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, which represents the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

  
B. J. Duplantis

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Enclosures  
cc: Mr. Richard Hudson  
District Manager

Interested Parties, Interested Owners  
and Represented Parties on attached list

